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LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.)
CLAIMS UPON CHILL.
PARIS, October 17.—Senator Matte, the
Chilian Minister, in an interview with a
representative of the press, is reported to
have given positive data to the report
that the Chilian Government would be
unable to offer any acceptable terms in settle-
ment of the indemnity claimed by the foreign
powers in consequence of loss sustained by
them during the recent war. Every satis-
faction, he declared, would be given to the
claims put forward, but these would not
be made to the fantastic figure which had
been mentioned. The Chilian Government,
added the Minister, would be definitely con-
stituted on the 15th prox., and Chilli would
make it a point of honour to fulfil all her
obligations.

AMERICAN SAILORS KILLED AT VALPARAISO.

NEW YORK, October 17.—The Herald has
received a telegram from Valparaiso of yester-
day's date stating that three or four
sailors belonging to the crew of the United
States warship Baltimore, were killed and
several others wounded in a street fight with
Chilian sailors. Several of the latter were
severely hurt, but as far as had been ascer-
tained none were killed. It was thought that
the bitter feeling entertained by the Chilians
against the Americans was the cause of the fight.

PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

NEW YORK, October 17.—A despatch from
Tegucigalpa, received by the Herald, states
that a formal treaty of peace and amity
between Honduras and Salvador has been
signed.

THE DANGER OF WAR.

PARIS, October 16.—The Figaro states that
Baron Blanc, the late Italian ambassador in
Constantinople, on arriving in Rome from the
Turkish capital, declared in an interview with
its correspondent, that he deplored the exten-
sion of French and Russian influence in the
east, and that he would have liked to see
Italian influence substituted for it. The
abandonment of the Italian school was
further stated to have declared that he saw
no danger in the Balkans for the time being,
and he did not anticipate an outbreak of war
in connection with the eastern question. On
the other hand danger might arise, from the
Russian advance in Central Asia. But, he
added, "it is Armenia which will bring war,
and this eventuality is imminent."

THE DISCOVERY OF DYNAMITE AT REICHENBERG.

VIENNA, October 16.—With regard to the
fresh discovery of explosives at Reichenberg,
it appears that an iron vessel, containing loose
dynamite cartridges, gunpowder fuses, and a
dynamite bomb with fuse attached was found
by a cow-boy in the frame-work
of a bridge at that place. All the material
had evidently been prepared some consider-
able time, and there is no doubt that it had
been concealed on the spot where it was found
on account of the numerous domiciliary visits
made by the police since the recent railway
outrages.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, October 15.—This after-
noon's session of the Methodist (Ecumenical)
Conference was marked by a most extraordi-
nary scene, caused by the refusal of Mr.
Farmer Atkinson to retract some remarks
which gave offence to the Primitive
Methodist delegates. The member for
Boston, instead of withdrawing the words
complained of, used expressions which still
further increased the indignation of the
Primitive Methodists, and a scene of such
tumult and confusion ensued that the chair-
man, despairing of restoring order, de-
clared the session closed. In the evening the
trustees of the American University held a
reception at the Arlington Hotel to the
delegates of the conference. Bishop Hurst,
his wife, and other persons received the
guests. Addresses were delivered by the
Rev. Hugh Price Hughes, Dr. Stephenson,
and Bishop Bowman, Hurst, and Newman.

DEPORT OF GOVERNMENT.

STREET, October 16.—The Government
have met with a severe rebuff in the Legisla-
tive Assembly. A motion was brought for-
ward that the Government Bill to regulate
coal mining and amend the mining law should
be referred back to the committee in order
that the eight hours' provision should be
eliminated. The Government proposed that
the debate should be postponed, but this was
rejected by 49 against 41 votes. On the
motion of Sir Henry Parkes, the Premier, the
house adjourned. It is understood that the
Cabinet will tender their resignation to the
governor to-morrow.

ENGLAND AND THE DARDANIELLES.

(REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.)
PARIS, October 17.—The Memorial Diplo-
matic says that the importance of the
English Note to Turkey concerning the
Dardanelles has been greatly exaggerated.
England did not ask for certain advantages
of a nature to interfere with the Berlin Treaty,
but only insisted that her war merchantmen,
which are so constructed as to be easily
transformed into warships, should be allowed
free passage like those of Russia. It is stated
that Turkey has formally consented to this
demand on the part of England.

PLOT AGAINST THE CAZAR.

ARREST OF 500 STUDENTS.
CRACOW, October 15.—The Polish news-
papers announce that, in consequence of the
recent discovery of a conspiracy against the
life of the Czar, 500 students at the Kiev Uni-
versity have been placed under arrest.

EXPECTED MINISTERIAL CRISIS IN FRANCE.

PARIS, October 16.—The authorities say—"It
is all very well for the official papers to say
that there will be no ministerial crisis.
Every one for himself appears to be the

device of every minister at the present hour.
M. Yves Guyot is threatened that he will be
left to fight for himself, while M. Rouvier
will have a good deal of trouble to explain
his reason for remitting the stamp duty on
Italian bonds, which Germany has refused to
do. M. de Freycinet will do his best to
remain Minister of War, but will probably
have to sacrifice the presidency of the
Cabinet."

SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

PARIS, October 16.—At the Socialist Con-
gress, to-day, the disputes between the "old"
and the "young" Socialists were continued.
Dr. L. described himself as neutral, not
opponentist. His pamphlet had been con-
ceived in a spirit of fidelity to his convic-
tions. He had never made use of powerful
weapons. Herr Fischer was as much an
accused party as himself. Deputy Auerbach
protested against the charges of cowardice,
and said that he held Herr Wildberger in high
esteem for not naming the two deputies who
had accepted loans. Herr Wildberger, he
said, was so anxious to shield the reputation
of two deputies that he preferred to com-
promise himself. (Laughter.) Herr Wild-
berger said that he had nothing to urge
against the party leaders, only the party
tactics. The granting of loans had been per-
fectly proper. Herr Lande, of Elberfeld, said
the committee must deal with the accusations
against individuals, not with the accusations
as a whole. Herr Werner contested the exis-
tence of any settled policy on the part of the
opposition.

TRAGIC AFFAIR AT HAMPSHIRE.

An attempt at double murder and suicide
took place on Friday at No. 18, Fordway-road,
near High-road, Kilburn. The house is occu-
pied by Mr. Hewson (of the firm of Hewson
and Thetson, house-furnishers, of Totten-
ham Court-road) with his wife, aged 35,
her two children, a boy aged eighteen
months, and a girl about two and a
half years, and three servants. The adjoining
house, No. 16, is tenanted by Mr. W.
Haley, manager of the Albemarle, whose wife
was alarmed by loud screams and a tremen-
dous crashing of glass. On going to the
front door of the premises, Mr. Haley was
informed by a postman and a lady who
were passing that they had seen a lady at
the top floor back room of No. 18 throw two
children out of the window and then jump
out herself. Thereupon Mrs. Haley and her
informants entered the house, where they
found Mrs. Hewson and the two children
lying on the floor of a conservatory at the
rear, through the glass roof of which they
had crashed in their descent. The unfortunate
trio were terribly cut and in a semi-conscious condition. The
husband was immediately telephoned for
by a neighbour. Stimulants were ad-
ministered and Drs. Hall and Willis were
speedily summoned and attended to the in-
jured persons. The unfortunate lady had
been suffering from hysteria. The height
from which the children were precipitated is
upwards of 40ft., and a gap some 5ft. square
was broken in the roof of the conservatory.
They received less injury than the mother,
who is in a critical condition.

THE ALBEMARLE SHOOTING CASE.

Louis Albert Benson, of Old Compton-
street, was charged on remand at Marl-
borough-street on Friday, with having fired a
revolver at a woman named Claes, while on
the gallery stairs at the Albemarle. The
prisoner has been remanded from week to
week for the attendance of important wit-
nesses in the case. Benson, it will be
remembered, took the woman to the Al-
bemarle, and was there joined by a man
known as Jules. When leaving the
theatre the woman asked Benson for a
sovereign, whereupon he became angry
and fired the revolver, but fortunately the
bullet did not strike her but entered the wall.
The man Jules, it was alleged, knocked Ben-
son's arm aside as he pulled the trigger, and
thus caused him to miss the woman. Benson
was about to present the revolver again,
when a man named Baker seized both
his arms and prevented him from doing
mischievous. At the station the revolver
was found in Benson's pocket by In-
spector McKenna. The prisoner then
said that a man named Monfils had wanted
to escort the woman, and that excited him.
When on the stairs Monfils seized him, and
then as they rolled together down the stairs
he lost his temper, and drawing the revolver
fired, but not at the woman. Monfils denied
the statement. Inspectors McKenna and
Stroud said they were unable to find the man
Jules, for whose appearance the prisoner had
been remanded, and they believed he had
gone abroad.—The prisoner was committed
for trial.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

The business of the Central Criminal Court,
which commences on Monday, will be of a
heavier character than was expected, having
regard to the brief interval since the
adjournment. At present there are some 100
prisoners for trial, but this number will be
considerably increased by the time the
calendar is completed, but of eight cases
which involve a question as to the loss of
human life through the alleged commission of
crime, seven are charges of manslaughter.
The only murder case is that known as the
Westbourne Park mystery, which stands over
from the last session. In addition to two
very serious cases of demanding money with
menace, there are two charges of attempted
murder, and one against two foreigners of
being in the unlawful possession of imple-
ments for the supposed purpose of manufac-
turing Russian bonds. The aldermen on the
rota are Sir J. C. Lawrence, Sir W. Ellis, Sir
W. De Keyser, Alderman Cowen, Alderman
Wilks, and Alderman Moore.

MR. DE COBAN.

The Postmaster-general has, says a Belfast
correspondent, decided to make strict inquiry
into the allegation that certain letters pass-
ing between Mr. De Cobain, M.P., and his
solicitor had been tampered with in transit.
At his request all documents bearing upon
the subject have been forwarded to London.
A telegram published in Belfast from
Boulogne states that Mr. De Cobain is very
feeble in health. A fortnight ago he was
in such a critical state that some of his friends
were summoned from London.

THE STRAND ELECTION. MR. F. SMITH ACCEPTS THE CANDIDATURE.

On Thursday a deputation waited upon Mr.
W. F. D. Smith at Grosvenor-place, to
formally invite his acceptance of the candi-
dature. Mr. Murdoch, M.P., introduced the
deputation, and dwelt upon the remark-
able unanimity among the party. In
consenting to stand, Mr. Smith said he
felt honoured by the spontaneous
request, and the great
compliment that had been paid him, but his
pleasure in accepting the
candidature was enhanced by the con-
sciousness that it was
intended as a mark of
esteem and respect for his
lamented father. The arrangements for
the campaign are being
pushed vigorously forward, under the
able superintendence of Mr. T. Lennox
Irwin, the Conservative agent.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

A largely attended meeting of the general
Council was held on Wednesday night at
the Town Hall, St. Martin's-place. The
Hon. H. D. Ryder presided, and among those
present were Sir A. K. Rolfe, Mr. C. T.
Murdoch, Sir Augustus Harris, General
Baumgartner, Captain Armstrong, Mr. A. G.
Marten, Q.C.; Messrs. Burroughes, Isaacson,
Emden, Laing, E. Terry, W. T. Madge, and
Mr. T. Lennox Irwin, secretary. The follow-
ing resolution was carried unanimously:—
The general council of the Conservative
Association, representing, as it does, the
Strand constituency, hereby records its
deep sense of the country's irreparable loss
through the death of the Right Hon. W. H. Smith,
First Lord of the Treasury. Working with
single-mindedness of purpose and with un-
wearied devotion to duty, he has left his
health and then his life in the service of his
country, and the council feel that her
Majesty's Government have lost a wise and
experienced councillor, the country a states-
manlike and patriotic servant, and the con-
stitution one of the ablest, purest-minded,
and most honourable of representatives.
—It was further resolved that Mrs.
W. H. Smith and her family, with the re-
spectful and mournful sympathy of the whole
Strand borough.—Mr. Irwin then read the
names of the following gentlemen who
expressed their willingness to stand:—Sir
Augustus Harris, Major Probyn, Mr. Ger-
maine (late Conservative candidate at North-
ampton), Mr. W. F. D. Smith. He an-
nounced that Major Probyn and Mr. Ger-
maine had withdrawn their nominations
in favour of Mr. W. F. D. Smith,
and Sir Augustus Harris informed the
meeting that he would gladly stand aside for
the son of their late member. This state-
ment was received with applause, and
ment was received with applause, and
seconded by Mr. Marten. It was unani-
mously resolved:—"That Mr. W. F. D.
Smith be asked to stand as the Conservative
candidate for the Strand Borough, and that
a deputation wait upon him to-morrow morn-
ing conveying the request of the meeting."
The following gentlemen were appointed to
form the deputation:—Mr. Murdoch, Sir
Augustus Harris, Mr. J. S. Burroughes, Mr.
H. Twining, Mr. Laing, and Mr. Emden.
The proceedings terminated with a vote of
thanks to the chairman.—The Liberal and
Radical Committee met on Wednesday evening,
and, in concert with Mr. J. Kenwick
Beecher and Mr. C. J. Munro, made the
preliminary arrangements for a contest, with
Dr. Gutteridge as a candidate. A large
number of gentlemen, who had volunteered
their services for canvassing purposes, were
in attendance.

MR. SMITH'S ADDRESS.

In his address Mr. Smith announces that
he comes forward in compliance with an
invitation from the Conservative and
Unionist party in the borough. He deeply
feels that it is due entirely to the fact that
his father for nearly a quarter of a century
represented Westminster and the Strand
in Parliament. Mr. Smith promises that it shall
be his ambition to follow closely in his
father's footsteps, both in imperial and local
affairs. He is sincerely convinced that the
interests of the country will be best served
by the continuance of her Majesty's Govern-
ment in office, and after praising their policy
he concludes as follows:—"On questions
especially affecting the inhabitants of London,
and the Strand borough in particular, I shall
be prepared to consider impartially all pro-
posals, such as those connected with public
improvement, and to deal with them solely
with reference to their effect upon the health
and comfort of the people." We understand
that a series of meetings in support of Mr.
Smith's candidature will be held next week.
The date of nomination will most probably be
Friday the 25th, and the polling day Tues-
day the 27th inst.

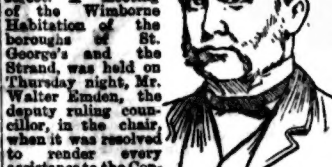
HIS CAREER.

Mr. W. F. D. Smith, the new candidate,
who was born on August 12th, 1833, and is, there-
fore, in his 58th year, is the only son of the
late Mr. W. H. Smith. He entered Eton in
1852, and rowed in the college eight four
years later, becoming second captain of a boat
in 1857. In the same year he went to Oxford,
entering New College, where he remained
till 1860. Since leaving Oxford he has made a
tour of the world. He became a partner in
the firm of Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son in
January, 1860, and since returning to England
in March last has been actively engaged in
the conduct of the business.

FOLLOWING DAY FIXED.

Friday, the 23rd inst. has been fixed for
the nomination of candidates, and Tuesday,
the 27th, for the polling. There are 11,021
Parliamentary voters in the borough. The
Conservative committee rooms, so far
arranged, are as follows:—Central and St.
Martin's, 428, Strand; St. Clement's,
Mary's, Savoy, and the Liberty of the

Rolls, 40, Norfolk-street; St. Paul's, 31,
Southampton-street; St. Anne's, 31, Soho-
square; and St. James's, Golden
square, 10, Sherwood-
street. A meeting
of the Wimbome
Habitation of St.
George's and the
Strand, was held on
Thursday night, Mr.
Walter Emden, the
deputy ruling coun-
cillor, in the chair,
when it was resolved
to render every
assistance to the Con-
servative Association
to triumphantly return Mr. F. Smith, and the
secretary was instructed to prepare and
forward at once a list of canvassers to Mr.
Lennox Irwin, the Conservative agent. Dr.
Gutteridge (G.) issued his address on Thurs-
day evening. His first public meeting will
be held on Monday, the principal speaker
being Mr. Sumners, M.P.



MR. F. SMITH.

The greatest enthusiasm is being evinced
in connection with the preparations for the
election. Numerous offers of assistance have
been received by the Conservative committee.
The speech making is expected to begin on
Tuesday, but it is probable that Mr. Smith
himself will not speak until Thursday, when
there will be an important muster of his
supporters at the new town-hall, St. Martin's-
in-the-Fields. Active canvassing will be com-
menced at the beginning of next week.

OFFERS OF ASSISTANCE.

Source: Mr. Smith. The Unionists are now
getting their organisation into working
order, and their candidate, Mr. C. W. Buller,
has met with considerable encouragement in
the district he has visited. On Thursday
night he held a very successful meeting at
Shobrooke, a purely agricultural district,
where he was supported by Sir John Shelley
and Mr. V. Hussey Walsh, of the Irish
Unionist Alliance. An almost unanimous
vote was passed in his favour. During the
contest the Unionists will have the aid of
Sir Edward Clarke, Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett,
and others.

Source: Mr. Smith. The Dublin Express Cork correspond-
ent states that no candidate has yet been
selected by the federation for Cork, but that
a deputation of Paracletes left that city for
Dublin on Thursday to ask the Lord Mayor
to stand, and that it is rumoured that Alder-
man Scott of Cork will contest the seat in
the Unionist interest.

KILKENNY (NORTH).—Friday night's Gazette
contains the Speaker's notice of his intention
to issue, at the end of six days, the new writ
occasioned by the death of Sir John Pope
Hennessy.

NEWCASTLE.—Mr. Radcliffe Cooke (C.)
having intimated his intention not to seek re-
election, Mr. G. W. Tallents is shortly to
address the electors.

FUNY.—Despite the recent contradiction,
Mr. J. Roberts (G.) on Thursday informed the
local Gladstonian association that he should
not seek re-election. Mr. Edmund Knowles
seconded a vote to his candidature in
opposition to Mr. Story-Maskelyne (U.).

PARANAGUA (WEST).—Mr. Alexander Stuart
(G.), of Fiddell Braco, will be invited to
oppose Sir Donald Currie (U.).

MEMORIAL TO MR. W. H. SMITH.

At a meeting of the St. Martin's Vestry it
was resolved to form a committee for the
purpose of inviting the constituents of the
Strand to subscribe to the erection of a bust
or memorial window to the memory of the
late Mr. W. H. Smith.

LEADERSHIP OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MR. BALFOUR SELECTED.
Though not yet officially announced, it is
understood that the leadership of the House
of Commons has been offered to Mr. Balfour,
and that he will accept it, together with the
First Lordship of the Treasury.

The appointment will
not render vacant
his seat for East
Sussex, as he will
hold office under
the Crown. Lord
Salisbury, im-
mediately upon his
arrival in England,
communicated with
Mr. Balfour, and
Mr. Akers-Douglas,
chief Conservative
whip. Mr. Akers-
Douglas went to Hatfield
on Wednesday, where
he remained during
the afternoon, and on his
return to London in
the evening he sought an interview with Mr.
Goschen. It is understood that Lord Salis-
bury has been in communication with Lord
Hardington, but the leader of the Unionists
remains at Newmarket. Mr. Goschen arrived
at the Treasury early on Thursday, and was
joined shortly afterwards by Mr. Akers-
Douglas. The Chancellor of the Exchequer
subsequently walked to Arlington-street,
where Lord Salisbury had arrived shortly
after noon. Mr. Goschen afterwards left for
Cambridge. Lord Salisbury returned to Hat-
field in the evening.

MR. GOSCHEN ON THE SELECTION.

Mr. Goschen addressed a crowded meeting
of Conservatives at Cambridge on Thursday
night. After paying a tribute to the memory
of Mr. Smith, he said that Mr. Balfour
had triumphed over the Irish spectre, and
the country acclaimed it. The Unionist
party were grateful, and what was more
natural than that the wish of the Unionist
party should be that he who had wrong
respect even from the Irish members should
be in the House of Commons and the Unionist

hosts to those further battles on which the
cause they all had at heart had to be fought?
(Cheers.)

MR. SPURGEON.

Mr. Spurgeon left Eastbourne on Friday
afternoon for Baulah Hill, Norwood, much
better for his stay on the south coast. While
at Eastbourne Mr. Spurgeon has been over-
whelmed with kind attentions from all
classes. He has been visited by the mayor
on behalf of the corporation, and by the
vicar on behalf of the clergy.

DEATH OF LOUISA MARCHIONESS OF AILESBUURY.

We regret to learn from Biarritz of the
death of Louisa Marchioness of Ailesbury,
widow of the third marquis, and mother of
Lord Henry Bruce, M.P. She was the
daughter of the second Baron Deedes, and
was born in 1814; she married in 1834 and
survived her husband five years. The de-
ceased lady had long been resident at the
Villa Marbella, Biarritz, whither Lord Henry
Bruce was hastily summoned on Wednesday.

AN ALARMING ACCIDENT.

Whilst an entertainment inaugurating a
club at Sale, near Manchester, was in
progress on Thursday night, at which Mr. J.
Mannion, stipendiary magistrate for Salford,
presided, the floor of the room was noticed to
be gradually sinking. The entertainment
was abruptly brought to a termination, and
amid the greatest excitement the ladies,
numbering about 200, were hurried out of the
room. Upon closer inspection it was found
that one of the main supports of the building
had given way.

DEATH OF MR. GILBERT A. BECKETT.

We record with much regret the death,
on Thursday last, of Mr. Gilbert A. Beckett,
son of the late Gilbert Abbot Beckett, and
himself distinguished alike in literature
and journalism. The deceased writer was
born in 1837, and has died, therefore,
at a comparatively early age. He has for
some years been a constant and versatile con-
tributor to Punch, but he is best known
through his contributions to the stage.

BURGLARS IN LIVERPOOL.

John Heyes, James Wilcock, and Charles
Taylor, employed at Edge Hill Railway
Station, were committed for trial at the
assizes by the Liverpool stipendiary magis-
trate on a charge of being concerned in
several burglaries. Heyes was also charged
with attempting to murder a police-con-
stable who endeavoured to arrest him.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT CHORLEY.

On Friday morning a fire which broke out in
a cottage at Chorley resulted in the destruc-
tion of four adjoining cottages, and the death
of an old woman named Gorton 80 years old.
She had escaped, but returned to her bed-
room to get something and was burned to
death.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO MR. ROCHE.

At Woodford on Thursday, Mr. John
Roche, M.P., was thrown from a horse, and
sustained serious injuries. He is now suffering
from concussion of the brain, and is pronounced
by his medical attendants to be in an extremely
critical condition.

DISTRESSING GUN ACCIDENT.

A YOUNG LADY SHOT BY HER BROTHER.
A sad accident happened on Thursday
evening at 22, Keppel-street, Gower-street,
a boarding-house. For some time past a gen-
tleman has been staying there, who adopted a
peculiar method of recreation in the shape of
saloon rifle practice in his drawing-room. The
latter recently started for Mashedland, but
unfortunately left his saloon rifle and a number
of dangerous, although apparently toy, slugs
behind him. The rifle and the cartridges
were secured by the son of Mr. Powell, a
bright, intelligent lad of 16 years, who erected
a temporary target against the wall of the
drawing-room, and proceeded in the habit of
practising upon it. On Thursday evening at
9 o'clock the young fellow descended to his
temporary shooting gallery, and was
accompanied by his little sister, Alice,
13 years of age, who was, in fact, his almost
constant companion. After arranging the
target, young Powell proceeded to examine
the gun, which he forgot that he had left
loaded overnight, and his finger accidentally
touched the trigger, with the result that the
weapon exploded and the slug entered the
chest of the little girl. The wound
was a severe one, the slug passing
through the child's body. Powell was young
enough to feel when he saw the little one
fall to the ground, but immediately picked
her up and conveyed her to the drawing-
room. Dr. Alfred Grubb, of 29, Gower-street,
was called in, and having dressed the
wound, had the patient conveyed to the Uni-
versity College Hospital, where she now lies.
Mrs. Powell, who was when the sad
accident occurred, and upon returning home
and being informed of what had happened
she at once paid a visit to the hospital. She
was, however, so prostrated by the shock that
she has been unable to leave her bed since.
On inquiry at the hospital on Friday it was
ascertained that the sufferer is somewhat
easier, but grave fears are entertained as to
her ultimate recovery.

A BIRMINGHAM FRAUD.

At Birmingham Quarter Sessions, before
Mr. Durdale, Q.C., M.P., recorder, James
Lloyd, cattle dealer, was sent to goal for
three months for obtaining 427 by false
pretences from Edwin Ward, a Birmingham
publican. Prisoner represents that he was
a rancher owner in Texas, and an old friend of
Lord Dudley, who had invited him to his
wedding festivities. Ward, impressed by the
prisoner's aristocratic connections, advanced
the money, pending the promised receipt of
drafts from America. The prisoner then dis-
appeared, but was arrested in a suburb of
the city.

THE "RAMMING" TRICK.

At Marylebone Police Court, James Gorman,
Albert Gorman, and Richard Price were
charged, remand, and conspiring to de-
fraud Frederick Vack and other bookmakers.
They were also charged with attempting to
steal by a trick and with demanding money
by menaces. The charges arose out of a
system, in connection with horse racing, of
writing certain words or figures which faded
away, and gave place to other words or figures.
Some further evidence was given, and the
prisoners were committed for trial.

A CLERK'S WEDDING.

At the Manchester Bankruptcy Court,
before Mr. Registrar Lister, some details in
respect to the marriage of a bankrupt
auctioneer's clerk were elicited in course of
the public examination of Matthew Roger
Finlayson Macpherson. A receiving order was
made against the debtor on September 2nd, and
an offer of £200 had been made to the creditors.
The sum would pay nearly 9s. in the £1. The
debtor stated that he was his father's clerk
at a salary of 41 per week. On his marriage
in September last year his father increased
his salary to 42 per week and commission.
In the same month his father gave him
£200. He went to Messrs. Goodall's, in
King-street West, and got furniture to the
amount of £484, for which he paid £200 on
account. He also obtained other goods, in-
cluding a rosewood upright piano, for
£100, for which he had not paid. Since May
he had been supported by his mother-in-law,
as he had been out of work since that time.
The festivities connected with his wedding
and honeymoon included debts for flowers to
the amount of £10 12s.—The registrar
described this expenditure as exorbitant, and
Mr. Registrar Lister said that he seemed to
have been a stylish wedding for an auctioneer's
clerk.—Replying to further questions,
the debtor said that this florist's
account had not been paid, and he
had neglected to pay 41s. due for the wedding
coach. He had also scheduled 400 as money
spent on his honeymoon, which occupied
eleven days.—Mr. Potter: Where did you
stay in Paris when you went on your honey-
moon? The Debtor: At the Grand
Hotel.—The Registrar: How many pri-
vate rooms had you? None.—Mr. Pot-
ter: Where did you stay in London?
The Debtor: At the Hotel Metropole.—They
say we Manchester gentlemen cannot travel
in style. (Laughter.) When you returned
from the continent you settled down to work
as an auctioneer's clerk at 42 per week?
Yes.—In reply to further questions the
debtor admitted having taken a house at
27, Lansdowne-road, Didsbury, £35
per year rent, but he was to have it rent free
until March quarter on condition that he
decorated it instead of the landlord. He
called in a decorator, and the work was done
at an expense of £30, and the gentleman who
decorated it was now a creditor on his estate
for that amount. Questioned as to his tailor's
bill for £20, which included a frock coat,
fifteen pairs of trousers, and "four
pairs of trousers," and had not been paid,
the debtor admitted having written the
following letter to the tailor in question, who
was suing for payment:—

July 9th, 1891.

Sir,—Thanks for the enclosed. You are the most
impatient man I ever came across. In answer to the
enclosed all I have to say is as follows:—First, I have
sent; second, you can do what the law says; third,
I have no more bills for me; fourth, tailoring bill;
fifth, advice not to be so sharp; sixth, please wait;
seventh, never come again; eighth, unless treated in a
gentlemanly manner; ninth, if you do not pay me
call from me at the end of next month. Then we can
put the gloves on and arrange the matter.—Yours truly,
H. MACPHERSON.

At the close of the debtor's examination,
the registrar said he should have no hesita-
tion in ordering a prosecution in this case.
People were not to be allowed to do this kind
of thing with impunity.—The examination
was adjourned.

THE RAILWAY OUTRAGE.

A Birmingham telegram reports that the
police on Friday arrested a man for throwing
Miss Smith, a school teacher, out of a train
on the Great Western Railway on the 8th inst.

ALLEGED FRAUDS BY A BANK

At the Mansion House Police Court on Fri-
day, Arthur Edward Smithers, 52, described
as a bank director, was charged, on a warrant,
before Alderman Sir Henry Knight, with

AT THE BLACK DOG.

Two Highland wasters, very duddy
as Yarr drank, probably have
been hanging about the place all day,
apparently think the morality of
the verse a very stern one, for
it has taken them half an hour to
fish up from their ragged pockets the
price of the pipe, and then, pushing it
down the swig, and then, pushing it to-
wards the traveller, ask "If the
shentlemans will taste with us?" And
as the landlady persuades them to go
off home, it gradually dawns upon your
mind that probably if you sit quiet
and let the waster smoke your pipe
you may get as much diversion here
out of any realistic romance ever
written. Who is there who at times
has not found it amusing to turn over
the leaves of an old play-book and re-
member the time when the actors were
troubling to go through an act, far less
a play? Well, the whole world is busi-

the other's heart with drink that he forgets how it is affecting himself, and

A CRUEL ASSAULT.

At the Malling (Kent) Police Court, William Goodayle, a fruiterer, of Kyarsh, was convicted of an extraordinary brutal assault, as the magistrate himself described it, on a girl named Green, aged 7 years. The child, it appeared, entered defendant's plantation and picked up two or three pears. Goodayle, who witnessed the theft, knocked the child down, and then, as the magistrate said, he set to worry her for nearly half an hour. Notwithstanding the mother's entreaties Goodayle declined to release the girl, who, it is thought, may lose her reason as the result of the fright. The magistrate said that he had told him that but for his previous good character he would have sent him to prison without the option of a fine.

to be. All questions should be headed "Legal," "Household," "Miscellaneous," or otherwise in accordance with their special character.

WIPERS.—1. We cannot give any advice as to the best kind of wipers to use, as it is impossible to suppose it is in good condition. If you take it to the medal room at the 'British Museum, Great Russell-street, they will tell you.

HARROLD.—You are mistaken. We never saw a recipe for "preserving in spirits of wine" any pudding. If any reader knows of such a pudding, we shall be obliged if he will kindly communicate it, as "Harrold" has a great quantity of spirits of wine, and is anxious to know if any use can be made of them.

S. T. L.—We cannot advise you on the subject.

BOX.—You can make the cordial by adding one ounce of brained cloves or one fluid drachm of essential oil of cloves to three gallons of proof spirit, and shaking well. You may use a quick fire, sweeten with at least three pounds of sugar per gallon, add one drachm of oil of cinnamon, and a few drops of the oil, and colour with burnt sugar.

LAMPLIGHTER.—Quite impossible for you to make mackintosh at home. It requires a factory.

WILKINSON.—It is scarcely much more so.

CONSTANT B.—About one gallon ripe sloe

A. *Spruce*.—It is a common vice of parrots to nibble at wood, and difficult to cure. Give no hemp, but Indian corn instead. Keep the bird rather underfed. Give no butter, meat, &c., at all. Rub a piece of cottony fabric in the cage for it to gnaw at.

A. *Artery*.—You may have seen that some times receive a piece of cottony fabric. They will probably also have seen that we decline under any circumstances to examine or report on them.

A. *Evening*.—It is a common, though unpleasant, state of things. We believe that there is absolutely no remedy for it.

GARDENING.

A. *Brown*.—We cannot say what the origin of the black dirt may be, as it may be consequent upon various causes. It is better to leave thoroughly, and fumigate the leaves with tobacco, keeping the windows and doors tightly shut.

C. *H.*—Water the plants and cuttings with lime water to destroy the worms.

C. *G. M.*—Do not repeat the ladybird planter. The ladybirds are very much injured. If you rotate turn and leaf mould in chest, some

of the bulb, but the bulb should not be in the water. Fill up the glasses with water so

The Frank Winter, hotel manager, is heard of in 1893, in South Africa. Her sister
 Alexandria Hackett, last heard of in the
 of 1888, at Cardiff, in the name of Mrs. Oswald
 Reed, could be thankfully received by her
 anxious relatives.
 Joseph W. Wilson left England about 183
 last heard of at Denlingham, New South Wales
 in 1881. Joseph Wilson, would like to be
 from him.
 William James Stevens. Last seen, 189
 then living in London. His sister Mad
 was living in London with him.
 Robert Williams Reed. Has been missi
 since June last year. His daughter Ed
 is now in the
 Benjamin Learmonth West; last heard of
 1897 at Hill Crest, Concord, Sydney, N
 S. W. Australia.
 Samuel Williams; last heard of at Stratf

Florence Anderson is informed that her re-

Chatham, and Dover Railway Company for \$2, 6d. paid for cab hire. The train was late, and the company could not say why. The company could not say that he brought the action in the public interest. On Sunday, the 5th of July, he took a day excursion ticket to Margate, and the train was due to return to Victoria at 10.35, but it did not arrive until 11.5, when all the train passengers disembarked. He learned where he lived, had gone, and he was bound to take a cab, for which he paid 2s. 6d. The delays upon this line were very frequent, and the company ought to remedy such a state of affairs.—P.O. The time tables of the company notified that they would, if necessary, shun ordinary trains to allow expresses to pass. The greatest amount of this time was lost in this way.—His honour said that the company was not to be protected by their rules, and gave judgment for them with costs.

roses constitution, which will be valuable in the town garden. At present the price for good plants is rather high. Brides of 2

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BUCKLAND, JUNIOR.

Mr. John Edwards writes in reference to Mr. E. Crow's slowworms. He thinks that the mother slowworm was not actuated by an instinctive desire to liberate her young when she rushed at and bit open the egg, but that she merely saw the movement inside the egg and tried to eat it in mistake for an insect, thus accidentally destroying the thing she intended to preserve. This robs the thing of its form. This robs the beauty of the formless theory, but I must say that it seems probable. Mr. Edwards has seen a spotted salamander behave in just the same way to

One of Mr. D'Ory Carte's companies goes to Greenwich on Monday to represent a couple of Gilbert-Sullivan operas. I often wish there were a West-end theatre where the bill was changed once a week or oftener, and where one could see the best that the country stage is able to afford. Our provincial friends can have the Gilbert-Sullivan series at a very low time, but so far as the West-end of London is concerned that pleasure is unattainable. Will no one "run" such a theatre as I suggest, on the lines of frequent change and cheap prices? There would be no difficulty in finding the theatre.

It does not surprise me to learn that Miss Amy Roselle has made so great a success at Liverpool as Lady Macbeth. She has the physique for the part, the brains, and the skill. She has the true "grand style" of tragedy, and I have often wondered that she has not gone in for that style of part. Probably she would have done so if any one

OLD IZAAK,

GENERAL CHATTER.

It is highly meritorious, no doubt, that well-to-do young ladies should qualify themselves to earn a living. By doing so they provide against the possibility of contingency of being left destitute and helpless. But it is the reverse of meritorious when wealthy damsels take to bread out of their poorer sisters' mouths, by competing against them for employment. This is becoming more and more common in art, teaching, needlework, and literature. The rich young lady who has the advantage of quite affluent parents thus adds to her pocket money. Nor is the competition on equal terms; the poor feminine toilers must

My esteemed fellow - labourer, "Mr. Wheeler," last week raised the question as to whether cycling brings on toothache and neuralgic pains in some instances. I have not time to express any opinion beyond hazarding the hypothesis that the jarring may affect the nervous system. But happen to have by me a recipe for toothache which a friend much subject to that torture assures me is of infallible efficacy in all cases. Mix five parts of chloroform with one part of carbolic acid, dip a small bit of cotton wool into the mixture, then squeeze every drop out of the wool; after carefully wiping your finger with the rag, insert the cotton wool in the cavity, in the course of a few minutes the pain will vanish and will not return. The chloroform requires to be renewed in the bottle from time to time as it evaporates very quickly.

Last week I saw a veteran black silk skirt and bodice utilised as the foundation of a dress which was built an uncommonly stylish evening gown. The old fashioned skirt had been remodelled into the newest gored shape with fan-pleated train. A narrow quilling of strong black lace went round the bottom. The overskirt of black grenadine, with narrow silky stripes was slightly drawn in from

MR. WHEELER.

Entirely do I agree with the praises bestowed upon beautiful Datchet last week by "General Chatter." So far as my experience goes, it far surpasses every holiday resort within the same distance from London in its idyllic charm and scenic loveliness. But my esteemed comrade speaks of going down to Earl. Perish the thought! There is an excellent road to the beach, and the whole way from Hounslow, and you can get there comfortably well within two hours. Or if you live in a more northerly part of town, follow the Uxbridge-road to the railway bridge at Chevy Chase, and then, turning sharply to the left, make your way through Norwood Green, and by Heston House to Cranford, where you strike the Colnbrook-road, and the road between Chevy Chase and Cranford is simply perfect for cycling, especially after heavy rain.

Much obliged am I to a West-end correspondent who began wheeling this year in the hope of dispelling his gouty symptoms, for sending me an account of his experiences. When he started, he carried a superfluity of flesh; that encumbrance has vanished, taken with it the chronic feeling of lassitude and sleepiness to which it gave rise. No longer does he grovel with the couch, which need

DEATH IN A TRAIN.

On the arrival of a train at New Cross (South Eastern Railway) Station on Wednesday morning, the railway stationmaster, Mr. Newbold, was drawn to a gentleman leaning back in one of the carriages. Dr. Moore was immediately called and pronounced life extinct. The body, which was taken to the mortuary, was identified as that of Mr. W. H. Willis, of Nelson-road south of Great Yarmouth, who was on the visit to Mr. J. W. H. Lambrough, Earl of Leicestershire, who was himself in the next carriage. The deceased was about 60 years of age.

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he believed it was going to attack him. He had no animosity against it.—Mr. Mead thought the defendant had struck the dog more violently than he should have done; but because he had done so he (Mr. Mead) could not fix on him the stigma of having cruelly ill-treated it. The summons would be dismissed.

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